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THROUGH: Chief, Industrial Division, OIR
FROM: Chief, Manufacturing Sector Branch, D/I
SUBJECT: Recognition of Services by FED Personnel.

1. I take pleasure in recognizing and commending the services rendered by FED personnel to the China Section of this branch. Their work has made an important contribution to the production of two studies on the machine building industry of Communist China by [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

25X1A9a [REDACTED] and a study on Communist China's light industries by Mr. [REDACTED]. Without attempting to be exhaustive in acknowledging our gratitude to FED, I should like to make special mention of the value to this branch of the work done by the Industrial and Materials Section of the Far East Branch. The recent full translation of a 257-page Chinese book (prepared in conjunction with another section of the Far East Branch) is only the latest of many publications which have been extremely helpful.

2. The personnel of this unit appear to be very highly motivated and competent. Their consistent cooperation has increased the usefulness and thickness of Chinese-language materials to our analysts. From an intimate knowledge of our requirements the Industrial and Materials Section has been able to alert us to important new acquisitions. Advance copies of explanations of such materials several weeks before its appearance in the Weekly Information Reports has improved the thickness of our estimates.

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